TriQuint SEMICONDUCTOR

Product Data Sheet

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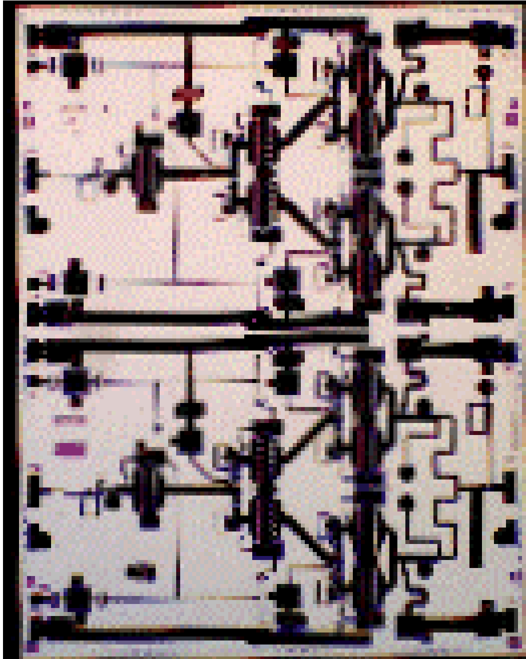
6 - 18 GHz High Power Amplifier TGA9092-SCC



Chip Dimensions 5.739 mm x 4.318 mm x 0.1016 mm

Key Features and Performance

- Dual Channel Power Amplifier
- 0.25um pHEMT Technology
- 6-18 GHz Frequency Range
- 2.8 W/Channel Midband Pout
- 5.6 W Pout Combined
- 24 dB Nominal Gain
- Balanced In/Out for Low VSWR
- 8V @ 1.2A per Channel Bias

Primary Applications

- X-Ku band High Power
- VSAT

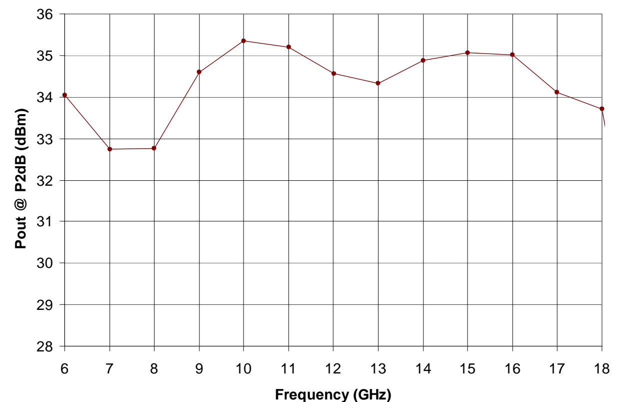
Product Description

The TriQuint TGA9092-SCC is a dual channel, three-stage wide band HPA MMIC designed using TriQuint's proven 0.25 µm Power pHEMT process to support a variety of high performance applications including military EW programs, VSAT, and other applications requiring wideband high power performance.

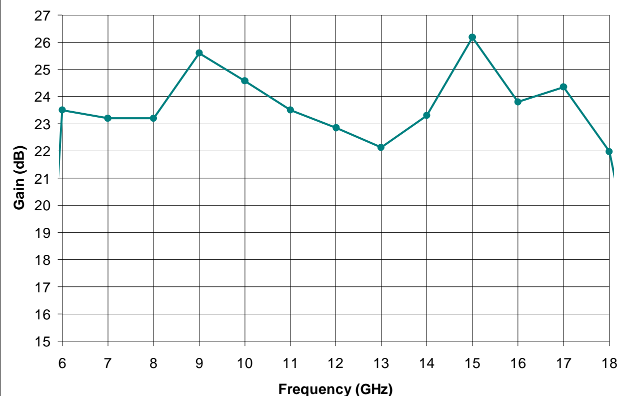
Each amplifier channel consists of one 1200 µm input device driving a 2400 µm intermediate stage which drives a 4800 um output stage.

The TGA9092-SCC provides a nominal 34 dBm of output power at 2dB gain compression across the 6-18 GHz range per channel . Power combined, nominal output power of 36.5 dBm can be expected with low loss external couplers. Typical per channel small signal gain is 24 dB. Typical single-ended Input/Output RL is 6-8 dB across the band.

The TGA9092-SCC is 100% DC and RF tested on-wafer to ensure performance compliance. The device is available in chip form.



Typical Measured Pout (RF Probe)



Typical Measured Small Signal Gain

TABLE I
MAXIMUM RATINGS

Symbol	Parameter 5/	Value	Notes
V^+	Positive Supply Voltage	9 V	4/
V^-	Negative Supply Voltage Range	-5V TO 0V	
I^+	Positive Supply Current (Quiescent)	3.5 A	4/
$\mid I_G \mid$	Gate Supply Current	84.48 mA	
P_{IN}	Input Continuous Wave Power	26 dBm	4/
P_D	Power Dissipation	28.8 W	3/ 4/
T_{CH}	Operating Channel Temperature	150 ^{0}C	1/ 2/
T_M	Mounting Temperature (30 Seconds)	320 ^{0}C	
T_{STG}	Storage Temperature	-65 to 150 ^{0}C	

1/ These ratings apply to each individual FET.

2/ Junction operating temperature will directly affect the device median time to failure (T_M). For maximum life, it is recommended that junction temperatures be maintained at the lowest possible levels.

3/ When operated at this bias condition with a base plate temperature of 70 ^{0}C, the median life is reduced from 1.6 E+6 to 5.4 E+4 hours.

4/ Combinations of supply voltage, supply current, input power, and output power shall not exceed P_D.

5/ These ratings represent the maximum operable values for this two-channel device.

TABLE II
DC PROBE TEST
(TA = 25 °C ± 5 °C)

Symbol	Parameter	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
$Imax_{(Q1)}$	Maximum Current	400	800	mA
$Gm_{(Q1)}$	Transconductance	200	600	mS
V_P	Pinch-off Voltage	-1.5	-0.5	V
BVGS	Breakdown Voltage Gate-Source	-30	-13	V
BVGD	Breakdown Voltage Gate-Drain	-30	-13	V

TABLE III
AUTOPROBE FET PARAMETER MEASUREMENT CONDITONS

FET Parameters	Test Conditions
G_m : Transconductance; $\frac{(I_{DSS} - IDS\ 1)}{VG1}$	For all material types, V_{DS} is swept between 0.5 V and VDSP in search of the maximum value of I_{ds}. This maximum I_{DS} is recorded as IDS1. For Intermediate and Power material, IDS1 is measured at V_{GS} = VG1 = -0.5 V. For Low Noise, HFET and pHEMT material, V_{GS} = VG1 = -0.25 V. For LNBECOLC, use V_{GS} = VG1 = -0.10 V.
V_P : Pinch-Off Voltage; V_{GS} for I_{DS} = 0.5 mA/mm of gate width.	V_{DS} fixed at 2.0 V, V_{GS} is swept to bring I_{DS} to 0.5 mA/mm.
V_{BVGD} : Breakdown Voltage, Gate-to-Drain; gate-to-drain breakdown current (I_{BD}) = 1.0 mA/mm of gate width.	Drain fixed at ground, source not connected (floating), 1.0 mA/mm forced into gate, gate-to-drain voltage (V_{GD}) measured is V_{BDGD} and recorded as BVGD; this cannot be measured if there are other DC connections between gate-drain, gate-source or drain-source.
V_{BVGS} : Breakdown Voltage, Gate-to-Source; gate-to-source breakdown current (I_{BS}) = 1.0 mA/mm of gate width.	Source fixed at ground, drain not connected (floating), 1.0 mA/mm forced into gate, gate-to-source voltage (V_{GS}) measured is V_{BDGS} and recorded as BVGS; this cannot be measured if there are other DC connections between gate-drain, gate-source or drain-source.
I_{MAX} : Maximum I_{DS}.	Positive voltage is applied to the gate to saturate the device. V_{DS} is stepped between 0.5 V up to a maximum of 3.5 V, searching for the maximum value of I_{DS}.

TABLE IV
RF WAFER CHARACTERIZATION TEST*
(T_A = 25°C ± 5°C)
(Vd = 8V, Id = 1.2A ±5%)

Parameter	Test Condition	Limit			Units
		Min	Nom	Max	
Small-signal Power Gain	F = 6 to 17 GHz F = 18 GHz	20 18	24	-	dB
Input Return Loss	F = 6 to 18 GHz		6		dB
Output Return Loss	F = 6 to 18 GHz		8		dB
Output Power @ 2dB gain compression	F = 6 to 8 GHz F = 9 to 18 GHz	32 32.5	34.5	- -	dBm
Power Added Efficiency	F = 6 to 18 GHz	12	25	-	%

Note: RF probe data taken at 1 GHz steps
* This information is based on the per-channel device.

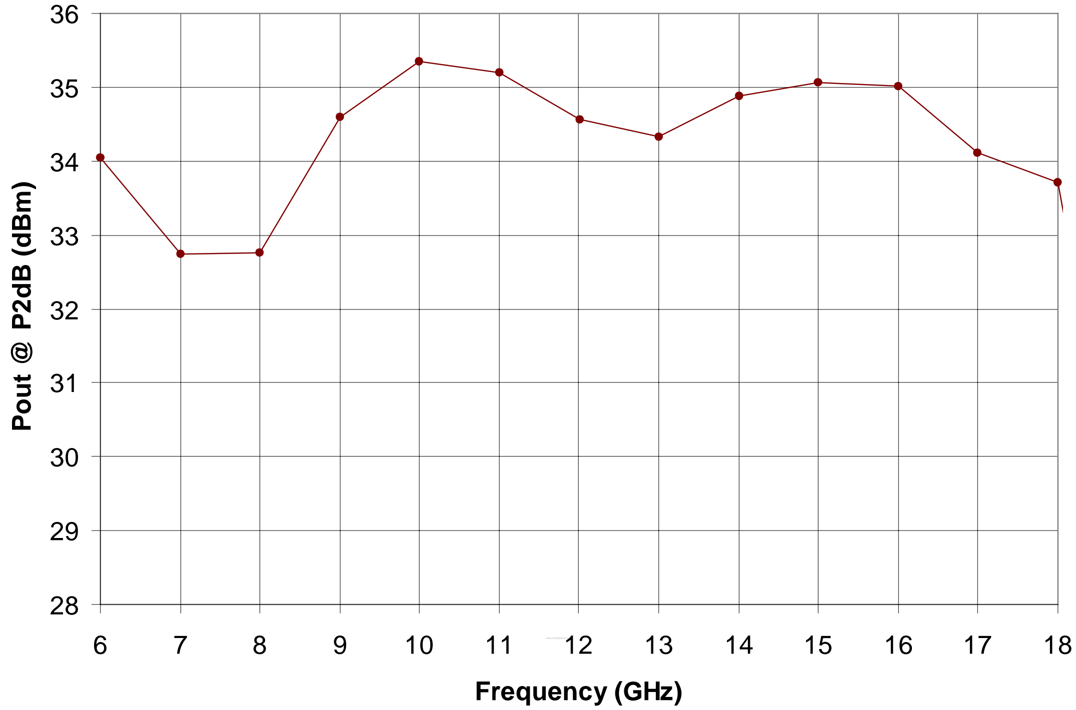
TABLE V
THERMAL INFORMATION*

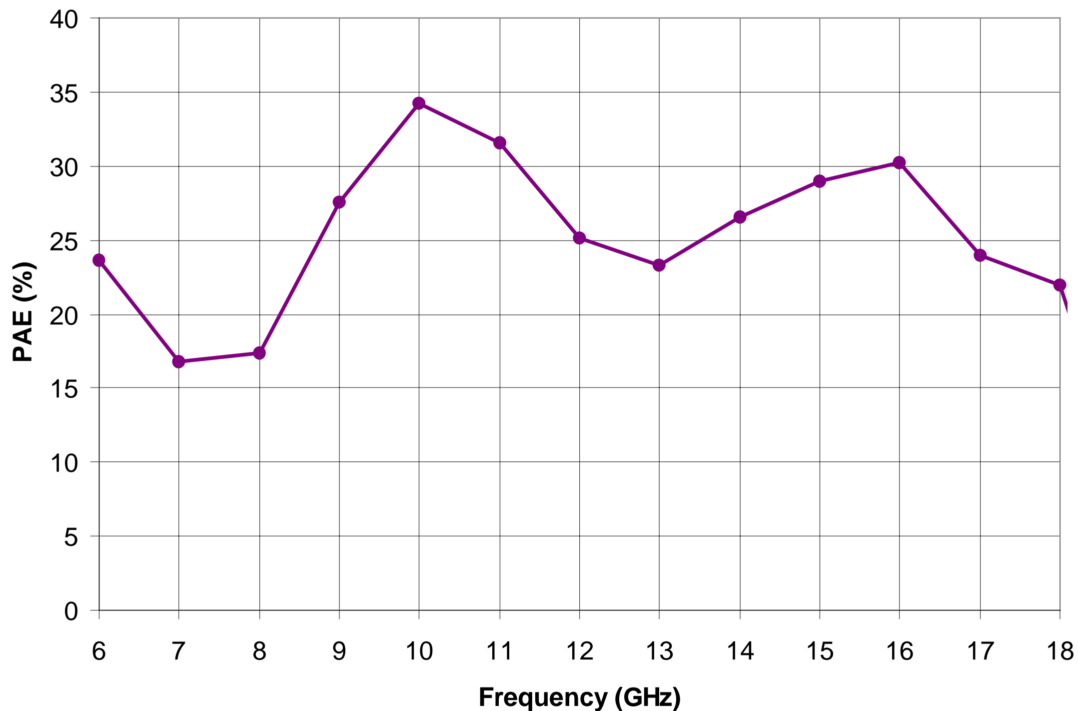
Parameter	Test Conditions	T_{CH} (°C)	$R_{\theta JC}$ (°C/W)	T_M (HRS)
$R_{\theta JC}$ Thermal Resistance (channel to backside of carrier)	Vd = 8 V I_D = 2.4 A Pdiss = 19.2 W	144.56	3.88	1.6 E+6

Note: Assumes eutectic attach using 1.5 mil 80/20 AuSn mounted to a 20 mil CuMo Carrier at 70°C baseplate temperature. Worst case condition with no RF applied, 100% of DC power is dissipated.
* This information is a result of a thermal model analysis based on the entire two-channel device.

Data Based on the 50th Percentile On-Wafer RF Probe Test Results, Sample Size = 3370 Devices

Bias Conditions: Vd = 8 V, Id = 1.2 A





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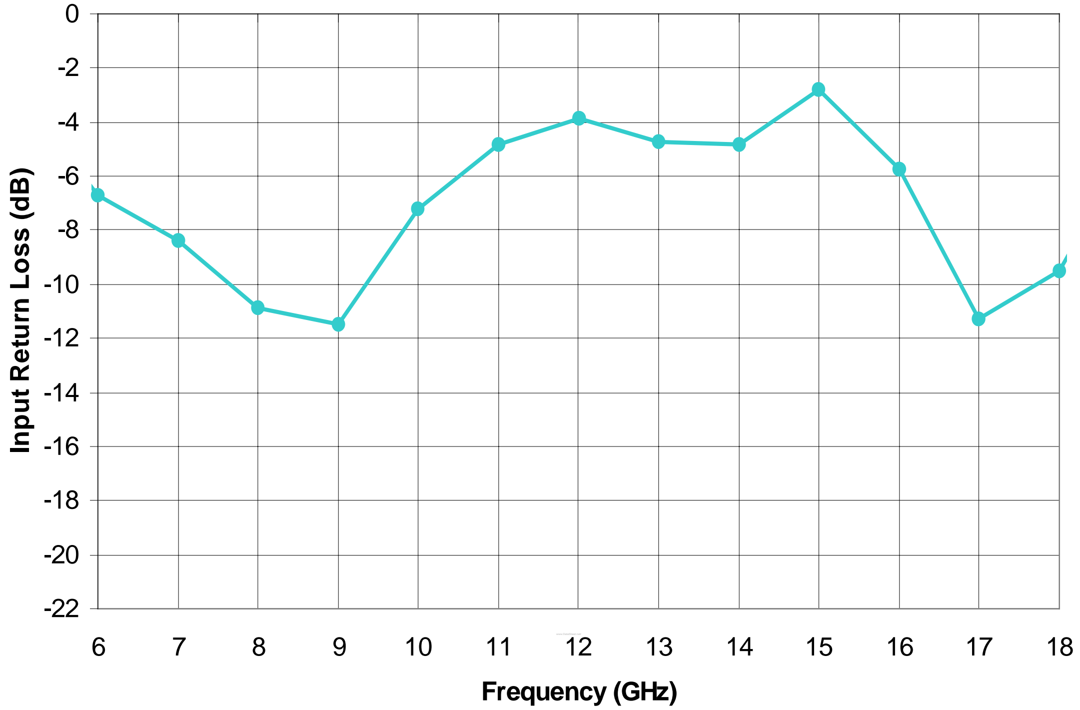

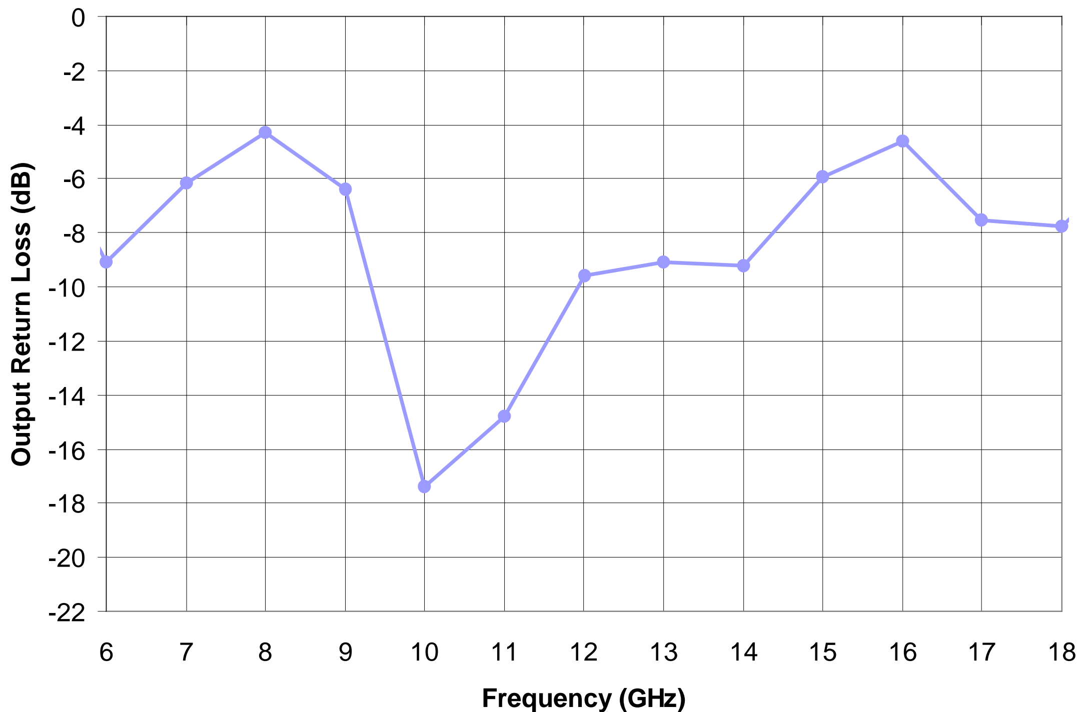

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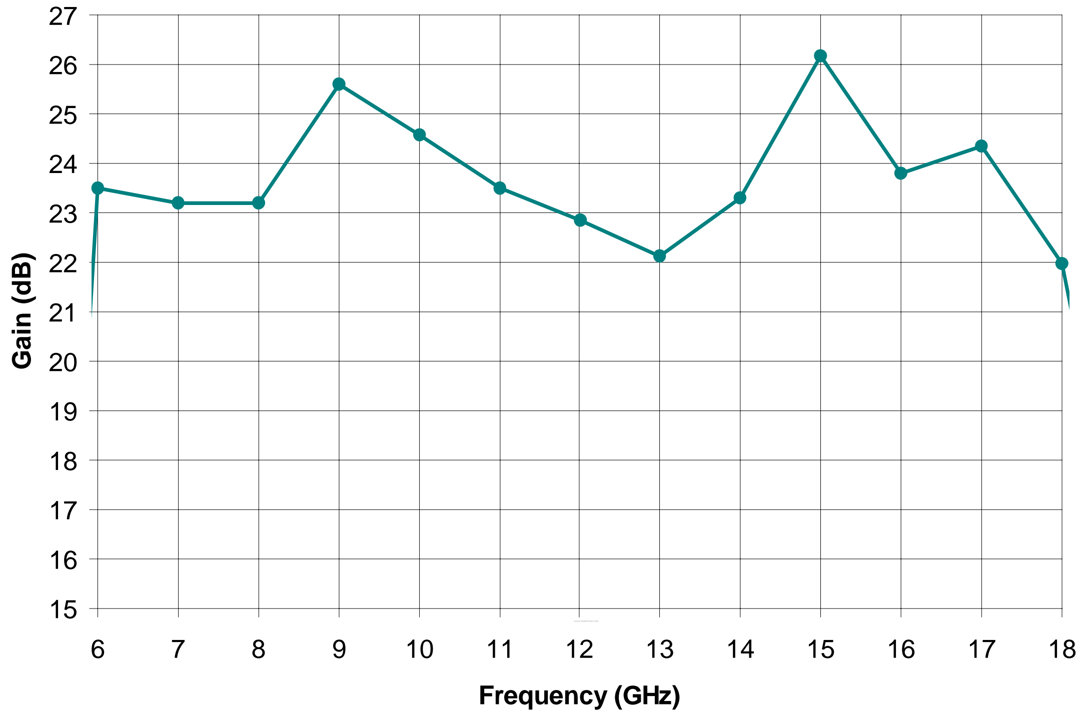
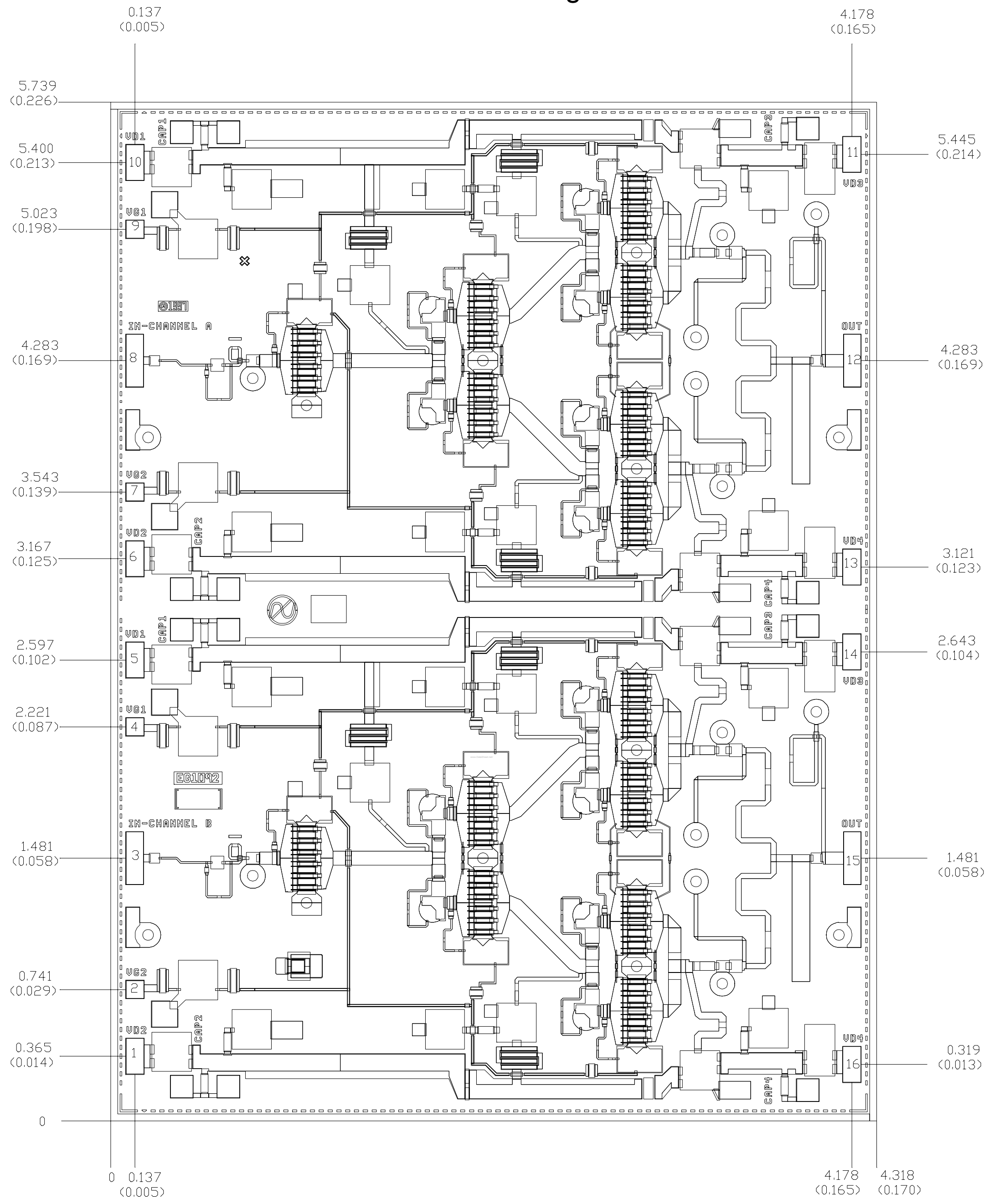


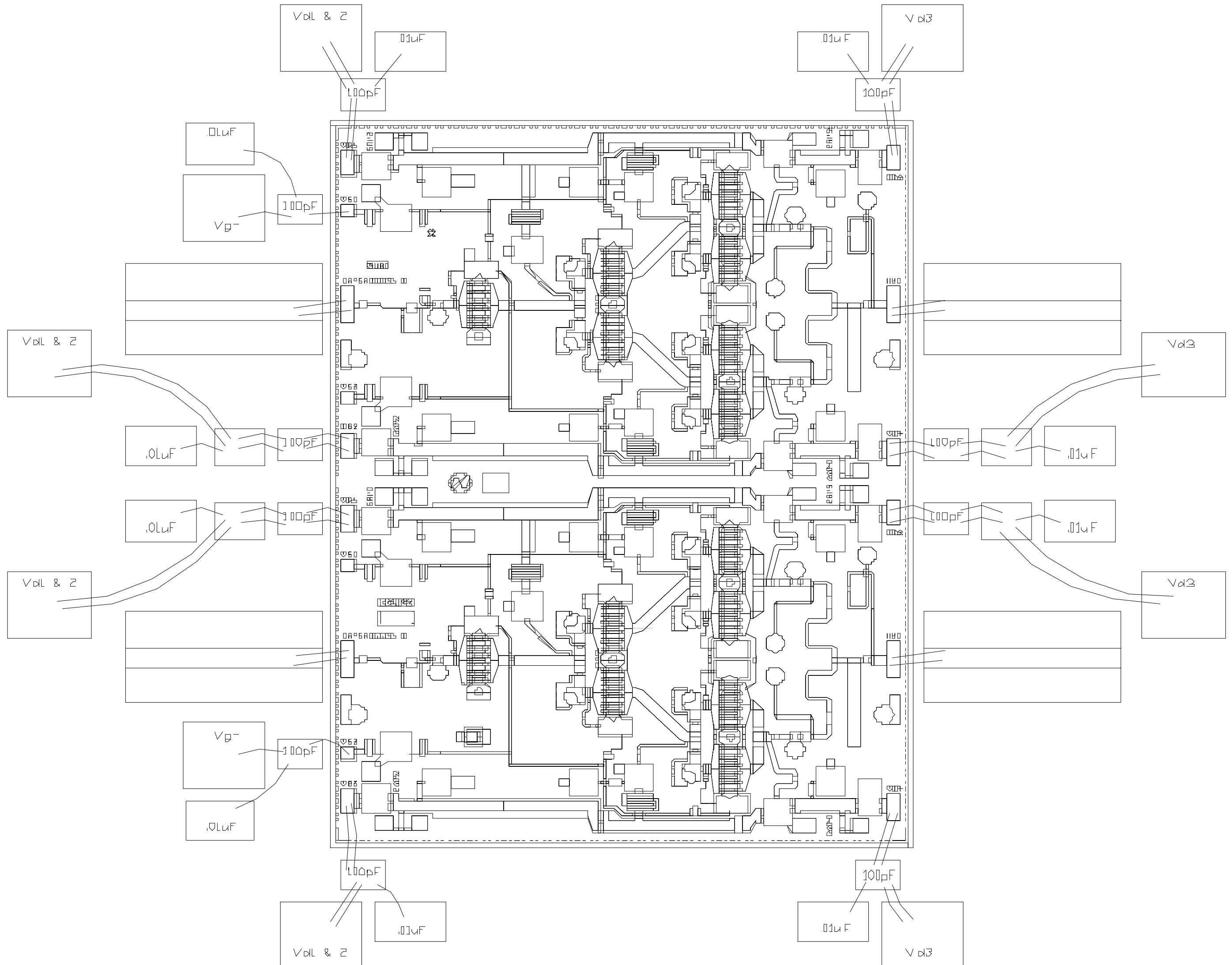
Mechanical Drawing



Units: millimeters (inches)
Thickness: 0.1016 (0.004) (reference only)
Chip edge to bond pad dimensions are shown to center of Bond pads.
Chip size tolerance: +/- 0.0508 (0.002)

Bond Pad #1,5,6,10 (Vd1&Vd2)	0.100 x 0.200	(0.004 x 0.008)
Bond Pad #11,13,14,16 (Vd3)	0.100 x 0.200	(0.004 x 0.008)
Bond Pad #2,4,7,9 (Vg)	0.100 x 0.100	(0.004 x 0.004)
Bond Pad #3,8 (RF Input)	0.100 x 0.300	(0.004 x 0.012)
Bond Pad #12,15 (RF Output)	0.100 x 0.300	(0.004 x 0.012)

Chip Assembly and Bonding Diagram



Note: All Vd's may be connected external to the MMIC.

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Assembly Process Notes

Reflow process assembly notes:

- Use AuSn (80/20) solder with limited exposure to temperatures at or above 300°C.
- An alloy station or conveyor furnace with reducing atmosphere should be used.
- No fluxes should be utilized.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical for long-term reliability.
- Devices must be stored in a dry nitrogen atmosphere.

Component placement and adhesive attachment assembly notes:

- Vacuum pencils and/or vacuum collets are the preferred method of pick up.
- Air bridges must be avoided during placement.
- The force impact is critical during auto placement.
- Organic attachment can be used in low-power applications.
- Curing should be done in a convection oven; proper exhaust is a safety concern.
- Microwave or radiant curing should not be used because of differential heating.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical.

Interconnect process assembly notes:

- Thermosonic ball bonding is the preferred interconnect technique.
- Force, time, and ultrasonics are critical parameters.
- Aluminum wire should not be used.
- Discrete FET devices with small pad sizes should be bonded with 0.0007-inch wire.
- Maximum stage temperature is 200°C.

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